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Information Review & Release (IRR) News for 30 July - 3 August 2001

Executive Summary

Immediate Calendar:

(U//~~ATUO~~) **5 September 2001: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Liaisons' meeting at Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB), Washington, DC.

Future Planning Calendar:

(U//~~ATUO~~) **20 September 2001: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Principals' meeting at Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB), Washington, DC.

(U//~~ATUO~~) **20 - 21 September 2001:** Next Historical Review Panel meeting at CIA

(U//~~ATUO~~) **October 2001:** The Automatic Declassification Date per Executive Order 12958, as amended, for unreviewed general material older than 25 years.

(U//~~ATUO~~) **April 2003:** The Automatic Declassification Date per Executive Order 12958, as amended, for unreviewed intelligence-related or multi-agency records.

Overview of IRR Activities Last Week:

(U//~~ATUO~~) FOIA Requests

(U//~~ATUO~~) CIA Receives First FOIA Request on Congressman Condit

(U//~~ATUO~~) A reporter with the San Jose (California) *Mercury News* requested copies of "the names, addresses, phone numbers and other biographical information of interns in [our] agency recommended by US Representative Gary Condit (D-CA), over the past six years." The newspaper also wants copies of letters of recommendation for any Agency interns that were written by Condit.

- The FOIA case officer sent the requester a letter acknowledging receipt of the request and will now determine the appropriate response. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) Freedom Magazine Interested in Retired Air Force Colonel

(U//~~ATUO~~) Thomas Whittle, a frequent requester from *Freedom Magazine*, seeks information on Leroy Fletcher Prouty, a retired Air Force Colonel who also worked for Washington area corporations. Mr. Prouty died on June 5th of this year.

- CIA accepted the request [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) National Security Archive Still Focused on South America

(U//~~ATUO~~) Among this week's submissions from the National Security Archive, a request for information on "death threats made by Uruguayan military officers against former US Representative Edward Koch in 1976," and "the Curso Superior de Inteligencia (Intelligence Superior Course) that took place in Buenos Aires, Argentina between November 1-30, 1979."

- The CIA accepted the requests [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) Requesters Interested in Noted Foreigners

(U//~~ATUO~~) A retired teacher working on a manuscript on the Korean war, asked for "a CIA file photograph of the late Wu Ruilin, a Chinese officer who commanded the CPV 42nd Army in the Korean War." Also, a local requester

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sought information on "socialist Moroccan political leader Mehdi Ben Barka."

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~~(U//A//FOUO)~~ Publications Review Board

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~~(U//A//FOUO)~~ PRB Receives Record Number of Pages in July

~~(U//A//FOUO)~~ In July authors inundated the Publications Review Board with 6,369 pages for prepublication review, the most the Board has ever received in a single month. The total for FY 2000--with two months remaining--already exceeds the totals for FYs 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999 and is only 3,580 short of the record set in FY 2000.

- The Board has 30 days to review each manuscript, but as long as it shows "due diligence" federal courts will permit the Board to take longer than 30 days. Some reviews this month will take longer than 30 days, and the Board Chairman so notified affected authors.

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~~(U//A//FOUO)~~ From the Archives: In 1977, DCI Turner Responds to Harvard's Restrictions on Cooperating with CIA

~~(U//A//FOUO)~~ DCI Stansfield Turner in 1977 responded to Harvard University's guidelines on relationships between the university and the intelligence agencies. Harvard stipulated that "the existence of any CIA-university contacts must be public," that "private consultation arrangements must be reported in writing to the dean and president" and that Harvard community members should not volunteer the names of other members without their permission nor undertake "intelligence operations" for the CIA. In his "Notes From the Director", which were recently reviewed by the DCI team at the IMS Declassification Center, the DCI responded that "current CIA policy covering our relations with American staff and faculty members of US academic institutions is already, to a large degree, consistent with the Harvard guidelines," and pointed out that "American scholars who have been willing to share information and interpretations of developments in the international arenas often have contributed valuably to intelligence support of the US foreign policy-making process. Without the continuing assistance of the academic community, our ability to provide the President and other senior officials with objective and enlightened analysis would be hampered."

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~~(U//A//FOUO)~~ IMS Delivers 12 Skids of Declassified Films to NARA

~~(U//A//FOUO)~~ The IMS Declassification Center delivered 12 skids of declassified 16mm film to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) at College Park, Maryland this week. The film was reviewed and declassified by the IMS Declassification Center in accordance with the 25-year automatic declassification provisions of EO

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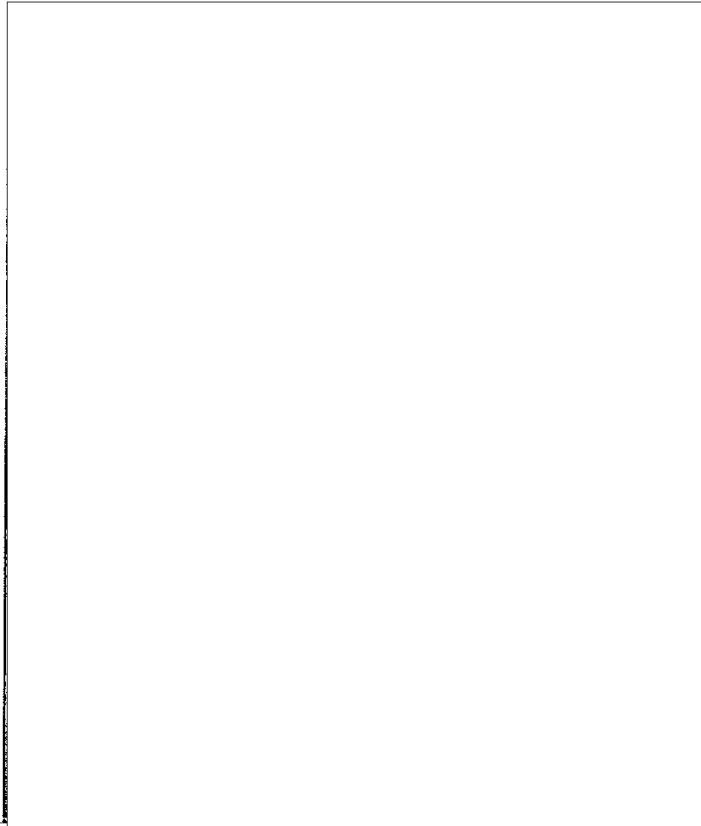
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12958. The film was part of the Agency's archived holdings at the Agency Archives and Records Center (AARC).

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[REDACTED] preparing one of the 12 skids of declassified 16mm film for shipment to NARA .

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